

ELECTIONS AT THE 15TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ICOMOS

Call for candidatures

In accordance with the ICOMOS Statutes (article 12 c) all National Committees have been invited to **send proposals for candidatures** for the elections of the Executive Committee, both for positions of officers and for ordinary members, to the ICOMOS International Secretariat **by 31 March 2005**. The list of those candidates, together with their electoral platforms, will be **published in the next ICOMOS News** no less than 120 days (4 months) before the date of the General Assembly and will be available on the web site. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly (art 54.1), the members of ICOMOS can still propose further candidates until no later than 5 p.m. on the first day of the General Assembly. For information on what elements the candidature files must include, please contact the ICOMOS International Secretariat.

Voting procedure and rights

To ensure a fast, efficient and transparent voting procedure which, if necessary, allows verification of votes cast, **votes will be counted using an optical mark reading system** (combining paper ballots with an automated calculation) used for example in University multiple choice exams.

Below some procedural matters National Committees must respect so that their representatives can cast their votes at the election. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the ICOMOS General Assembly:

Article 23.3.b (see also articles 27.2 and 45.4) – “Chairmen of National Committees must have submitted to the ICOMOS International Secretariat and not less than one month before the General Assembly a list of their voting members, signed by the National Committee Chairman.”

Article 15.2 “Any voting member may give his proxy to another voting member of his National Committee who must hand the Secretariat a signed and dated proxy form before the time fixed on the programme of the General Assembly for the meeting of the Credentials Committee. No member shall be entitled to have more than five votes in addition to his own.”

Article 45.2 “The number of votes is limited to 18 for each National Committee.” (This includes proxies).

Article 23.3.a (ref. also to article 27.2b and 45.2) National Committees must be up to date in their membership fees (and arrears) so as to have the right to vote during the General Assembly.

In addition, the Executive Committee at its meeting in Bergen during September 2004 unanimously decided that the **final deadline for payment of the totality of membership fees of a National Committee** will be the same as the statutory deadline for the handing over of voting lists, that is to say one month before the start of the General Assembly (Art. 23.3.b RoP).

Consequently, to be able to vote at the 15th General Assembly, National Committees must be up-to-date with all their membership fees at the latest by **17 September 2005**.

No exceptions will be made to this deadline